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TEXTILE POLICY
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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) the details of action plan formulated by the Government to effectively implement the National Textile Policy - 2002;

(b) whether the Government have mobilized funds for this purpose; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES SHRI BASANAGOUDA R. PATIL (YATNAL)

(a) to (c) The main actions being taken in implementation of the National Textile Policy 2000 are the following :- - The Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme, covering all manufacturing segments of the industry to equip it with world class manufacturing capabilities in order to withstand pressures of import penetration and maintain a growing share of the export market; - Technology Mission on Cotton, to increase productivity and quality and diversify use of this fibre; - The Deendayal Hathkargha Protsahan Yojana, to strengthen and encourage the handloom sector; - Dereservation of garment sector from SSI to enable it to attract large scale investment; - Increase in investment limit in knitwear sector from Rs.1 crore to Rs.5 crore allowing larger investment; - Launching of schemes
(i) Apparel Parks for Export of Garments and
(ii) Textile Centre Infrastructure Development, in order to encourage the setting up of world class integrated textile complexes and increase our share of apparel exports; - Modernisation of the weaving capacities, by the announcement in the Textile Package of the Budget 2001-02 of a programme for induction of 50,000 new shuttleless looms and 2.5 lakh semi-automatic/automatic looms; - Amendment of Textile (Development & Regulation) Order to provide a more industry friendly environment and for making the role of regulatory machinery less obtrusive; - Setting up of a Steering Group under the chairmanship of Member, Planning Commission to recommend inter-alia, steps for growth and investment of the industry, including, a fiscal road map; - Necessary changes in the duty and tariff structure announced through successive union budgets; - In addition, FDI policies have been liberalized providing for foreign equity participation of 100% through automatic routes in the textile sector, the only exception being the knitting/knitwear sector;

Necessary funds for implementation of plan schemes have been allocated in the Tenth Plan budget of the Ministry of Textiles.